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change the MRS priority, but may influence the sequencing for action. Examples of factors that the Department may consider are:

- $(\check{\mathbf{I}})$ Concerns expressed by regulators or stakeholders.
 - (2) Cultural and social factors.
- (3) Economic factors, including economic considerations pertaining to environmental justice issues, economies of scale, evaluation of total life cycle costs, and estimated valuations of long-term liabilities.

(4) Findings of health, safety, or ecological risk assessments or evaluations

based on MRS-specific data.

- (5) Reasonably anticipated future land use, especially when planning response actions, conducting evaluations of response alternatives, or establishing specific response action objectives.
- (6) A community's reuse requirements at Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) installations.
- (7) Specialized considerations of tribal trust lands (held in trust by the United States for the benefit of any tribe or individual). The United States holds the legal title to the land and the tribe holds the beneficial interest.
- (8) Implementation and execution considerations (e.g., funding availability; the availability of the necessary equipment and people to implement a particular action; examination of alternatives to responses that entail significant capital investments, a lengthy period of operation, or costly maintenance; alternatives to removal or treatment of contamination when existing technology cannot achieve established standards [e.g., maximum contaminant levels]).
 - (9) Mission-driven requirements.
- (10) The availability of appropriate technology (*e.g.*, technology to detect, discriminate, recover, and destroy UXO).
- (11) Implementing standing commitments, including those in formal agreements with regulatory agencies, requirements for continuation of remedial action operations until response objectives are met, other long-term management activities, and program administration.

- (12) Established program goals and initiatives.
- (13) Short-term and long-term ecological effects and environmental impacts in general, including injuries to natural resources.
- (b) Procedures and documentation for sequencing decisions. (1) Each installation or FUDS is required to develop and maintain a Management Action Plan (MAP) or its equivalent. Sequencing decisions, which will be documented in the MAP at military installations and FUDS, shall be developed with input from appropriate regulators and stakeholders (e.g., community members of an installation's restoration advisory board or technical review committee). If the sequencing of an MRS is changed from the sequencing reflected in the current MAP, information documenting the reasons for the sequencing change will be provided for inclusion in the MAP. Notice of the change in the sequencing shall be provided to those regulators and stakeholders that provided input to the sequencing process.
- (2) In addition to the information on prioritization, the Components shall ensure that information provided by regulators and stakeholders that may influence the sequencing of an MRS is included in the Administrative Record and the Information Repository.
- (3) Components shall report the results of sequencing to ODUSD(I&E) (or successor organizations). ODUSD(I&E) shall compile the sequencing results reported by each Component and publish the sequencing in the report on environmental restoration activities for that fiscal year. If sequencing decisions result in action at an MRS with a lower MRS priority ahead of an MRS with a higher priority, specific justification shall be provided to the ODUSD(I&E).

APPENDIX A TO PART 179—TABLES OF THE MUNITIONS RESPONSE SITE PRIORITIZATION PROTOCOL

The tables in this Appendix are solely for use in implementing 32 CFR part 179.

Clas Classification	Table 1 sifications Within the EHE Module <i>Munitions Type</i> Data Element Description	Score
Sensitive	 All UXO that are considered likely to function upon any interaction with exposed persons (e.g., submunitions, 40mm high-explosive [HE] grenades, white phosphorus [WP] munitions, high-explosive antitank [HEAT] munitions, and practice munitions with sensitive fuzes, but excluding all other practice munitions). All hand grenades containing energetic filler. Bulk primary explosives, or mixtures of these with environmental media, such that the mixture poses an explosive hazard. 	30
High explosive (used or damaged)	 All UXO containing a high-explosive filler (e.g., RDX, Composition B), that are not considered "sensitive." All DMM containing a high-explosive filler that have: Been damaged by burning or detonation Deteriorated to the point of instability. 	25
Pyrotechnic (used or damaged)	All UXO containing pyrotechnic fillers other than white phosphorous (e.g., flares, signals, simulators, smoke grenades). All DMM containing pyrotechnic fillers other than white phosphorous (e.g., flares, signals, simulators, smoke grenades) that have: Been damaged by burning or detonation Deteriorated to the point of instability.	20
High explosive (unused)	All DMM containing a high explosive filler that:	15
Propellant	All UXO containing mostly single-, double-, or triple-based propellant, or composite propellants (e.g., rocket motor). All DMM containing mostly single-, double-, or triple-based propellant, or composite propellants (e.g., rocket motor) that are: Damaged by burning or detonation Deteriorated to the point of instability.	15
Bulk secondary high explosives, pyrotechnics, or propellant	 All DMM containing mostly single-, double-, or triple-based propellant, or composite propellants (e.g., rocket motor), that are deteriorated. Bulk secondary high explosives, pyrotechnic compositions, or propellant (not contained in a munition), or mixtures of these with environmental media such that the mixture poses an explosive hazard. 	10

Table 1 Classifications Within the EHE Module <i>Munitions Type</i> Data Element		
Classification	Description	Score
Pyrotechnic (not used or damaged)	 All DMM containing a pyrotechnic fillers (i.e., red phosphorous), other than white phosphorous filler, that: Have not been damaged by burning or detonation Are not deteriorated to the point of instability. 	10
Practice	 All UXO that are practice munitions that are not associated with a sensitive fuze. All DMM that are practice munitions that are not associated with a sensitive fuze and that have not: Been damaged by burning or detonation Deteriorated to the point of instability. 	5
Riot control	All UXO or DMM containing a riot control agent filler (e.g., tear gas).	3
Small arms	 All used munitions or DMM that are categorized as small arms ammunition. [Physical evidence or historical evidence that no other types of munitions (e.g., grenades, subcaliber training rockets, demolition charges) were used or are present on the MRS is required for selection of this category.] 	2
Evidence of no munitions	Following investigation of the MRS, there is physical evidence that there are no UXO or DMM present, or there is historical evidence indicating that no UXO or DMM are present.	0

- Former (as in "former military range") means the MRS is a location that was (1) closed by a
 formal decision made by the Component with administrative control over the location, or (2)
 put to a use incompatible with the presence of UXO, DMM, or MC.
- Historical evidence means the investigation: (1) found written documents or records, (2)
 documented interviews of persons with knowledge of site conditions, or (3) found and verified
 other forms of information.
- Physical evidence means: (1) recorded observations from on-site investigations, such as
 finding intact UXO or DMM, or munitions debris (e.g., fragments, penetrators, projectiles,
 shell casings, links, fins); (2) the results of field or laboratory sampling and analysis
 procedures; or (3) the results of geophysical investigations.
- Practice munitions means munitions that contain an inert filler (e.g., wax, sand, concrete), a
 spotting charge (i.e., a small charge of red phosphorus, photoflash powder, or black powder
 used to indicate the point of impact), and a fuze.
- The term *small arms ammunition* means ammunition, without projectiles that contain explosives (other than tracers), that is .50 caliber or smaller, or for shotguns.

Classific Classification	Table 2 cations Within the EHE Module <i>Source of Hazard</i> Data Element Description	Score
Former range	 The MRS is a former military range where munitions (including practice munitions with sensitive fuzes) have been used. Such areas include impact or target areas, associated buffer and safety zones, firing points, and live-fire maneuver areas. 	10
Former munitions treatment (i.e., OB/OD) unit	 The MRS is a location where UXO or DMM (e.g., munitions, bulk explosives, bulk pyrotechnic, or bulk propellants) were burned or detonated for the purpose of treatment prior to disposal. 	8
Former practice munitions range	 The MRS is a former military range on which only practice munitions without sensitive fuzes were used. 	6
Former maneuver area	The MRS is a former maneuver area where no munitions other than flares, simulators, smokes, and blanks were used. There must be evidence that no other munitions were used at the location to place an MRS into this category.	5
Former burial pit or other disposal area	 The MRS is a location where DMM were buried or disposed of (e.g., disposed of into a water body) without prior thermal treatment. 	5
Former industrial operating facilities	The MRS is a location that is a former munitions maintenance, manufacturing, or demilitarization facility.	4
Former firing points	The MRS is a firing point, where the firing point is delineated as an MRS separate from the rest of a former military range.	4
Former missile or air defense artillery emplacements	The MRS is a former missile defense or air defense artillery (ADA) emplacement not associated with a military range.	2
Former storage or transfer points	 The MRS is a location where munitions were stored or handled for transfer between different modes of transportation (e.g., rail to truck, truck to weapon system). 	2
Former small arms range	 The MRS is a former military range where only small arms ammunition was used. [There must be evidence that no other types of munitions (e.g., grenades) were used or are present to place an MRS into this category.] 	1
Evidence of no munitions	 Following investigation of the MRS, there is physical evidence that no UXO or DMM are present, or there is historical evidence indicating that no UXO or DMM are present. 	0

- Former (as in "former military range") means the MRS is a location that was (1) closed by a
 formal decision made by the Component with administrative control over the location, or (2)
 put to a use incompatible with the presence of UXO, DMM, or MC.
- Historical evidence means the investigation: (1) found written documents or records, (2) documented interviews of persons with knowledge of site conditions, or (3) found and verified other forms of information.
- Physical evidence means: (1) recorded observations from on-site investigations, such as
 finding intact UXO or DMM, or munitions debris (e.g., fragments, penetrators, projectiles,
 shell casings, links, fins); (2) the results of field or laboratory sampling and analysis
 procedures; or (3) the results of geophysical investigations.
- Practice munitions means munitions that contain an inert filler (e.g., wax, sand, concrete), a
 spotting charge (i.e., a small charge of red phosphorus, photoflash powder, or black powder
 used to indicate the point of impact), and a fuze.
- The term *small arms ammunition* means ammunition, without projectiles that contain explosives (other than tracers), that is .50 caliber or below, or for shotguns.

Classifications	Table 3 Within the EHE Module Information on the Location of Munitions	: Data
Classification	Element Description	Score
Confirmed surface	 Physical evidence indicates that there are UXO or DMM on the surface of the MRS. Historical evidence (e.g., a confirmed incident report or accident report) indicates there are UXO or DMM on the surface of the MRS. 	25
Confirmed subsurface, active	 Physical evidence indicates the presence of UXO or DMM in the subsurface of the MRS, and the geological conditions at the MRS are likely to cause UXO or DMM to be exposed, in the future, by naturally occurring phenomena (e.g., drought, flooding, erosion, frost, heat heave, tidal action), or intrusive activities (e.g., plowing, construction, dredging) at the MRS are likely to expose UXO or DMM. Historical evidence indicates that UXO or DMM are located in the subsurface of the MRS and the geological conditions at the MRS are likely to cause UXO or DMM to be exposed, in the future, by naturally occurring phenomena (e.g., drought, flooding, erosion, frost, heat heave, tidal action), or intrusive activities (e.g., plowing, construction, dredging) at the MRS are likely to expose UXO or DMM. 	20
Confirmed subsurface, stable	 Physical evidence indicates the presence of UXO or DMM in the subsurface of the MRS and the geological conditions at the MRS are not likely to cause UXO or DMM to be exposed, in the future, by naturally occurring phenomena, or intrusive activities at the MRS are not likely to cause UXO or DMM to be exposed. Historical evidence indicates that UXO or DMM are located in the subsurface of the MRS and the geological conditions at the MRS are not likely to cause UXO or DMM to be exposed, in the future, by naturally occurring phenomena, or intrusive activities at the MRS are not likely to cause UXO or DMM to be exposed. 	15
Suspected (physical evidence)	There is physical evidence (e.g., munitions debris, such as fragments, penetrators, projectiles, shell casings, links, fins), other than the documented presence of UXO or DMM, indicating that UXO or DMM may be present at the MRS.	10
Suspected (historical evidence)	There is historical evidence indicating that UXO or DMM may be present at the MRS.	5
Subsurface, physical constraint	There is physical or historical evidence indicating that UXO or DMM may be present in the subsurface, but there is a physical constraint (e.g., pavement, water depth over 120 feet) preventing direct access to the UXO or DMM.	2

Classification	Table 3 s Within the EHE Module <i>Information on the Location of Munitions</i> Element	s Data
Classification	Description	Score
Small arms (regardiess of location)	The presence of small arms ammunition is confirmed or suspected, regardless of other factors such as geological stability. [There must be evidence that no other types of munitions (e.g., grenades) were used or are present at the MRS to place an MRS into this category.]	1
Evidence of no munitions	Following investigation of the MRS, there is physical evidence that there are no UXO or DMM present, or there is historical evidence indicating that no UXO or DMM are present.	0

- Historical evidence means the investigation: (1) found written documents or records, (2)
 documented interviews of persons with knowledge of site conditions, or (3) found and verified
 other forms of information.
- Physical evidence means: (1) recorded observations from on-site investigations, such as
 finding intact UXO or DMM, or munitions debris (e.g., fragments, penetrators, projectiles,
 shell casings, links, fins); (2) the results of field or laboratory sampling and analysis
 procedures; or (3) the results of geophysical investigations.
- In the subsurface means the munition (i.e., a DMM or UXO) is (1) entirely beneath the ground surface, or (2) fully submerged in a water body.
- On the surface means the munition (i.e., a DMM or UXO) is (1) entirely or partially exposed
 above the ground surface (i.e., above the soil layer), or (2) entirely or partially exposed above
 the surface of a water body (e.g., as a result of tidal activity).
- The term small arms ammunition means ammunition, without projectiles that contain explosives (other than tracers), that is .50 caliber or smaller, or for shotguns.

Clas Classification	Table 4 sifications Within the EHE Module Ease of Access Data Element Description	Score
Classification		Score
No barrier	 There is no barrier preventing access to any part of the MRS (i.e., all parts of the MRS are accessible). 	10
Barrier to MRS access is incomplete	 There is a barrier preventing access to parts of the MRS, but not the entire MRS. 	8
Barrier to MRS access is complete, but not monitored	 There is a barrier preventing access to all parts of the MRS, but there is no surveillance (e.g., by a guard) to ensure that the barrier is effectively preventing access to all parts of the MRS. 	5
Barrier to MRS access is complete and monitored	There is a barrier preventing access to all parts of the MRS, and there is active, continual surveillance (e.g., by a guard, video monitoring) to ensure that the barrier is effectively preventing access to all parts of the MRS.	0

Barrier means a natural obstacle or obstacles (e.g., difficult terrain, dense vegetation, deep or fast-moving water), a man-made obstacle or obstacles (e.g., fencing), or a combination of natural and man-made obstacles.

Table 5 Classifications Within the EHE Status of Property Data Element		
Classification	Description	Score
Non-DoD control	 The MRS is at a location that is no longer owned by, leased to, or otherwise possessed or used by the Department. Examples are privately owned land or water bodies; land or water bodies owned or controlled by state, tribal, or local governments; and land or water bodies managed by other federal agencies. 	5
Scheduled for transfer from DoD control	 The MRS is on land or is a water body that is owned, leased, or otherwise possessed by the Department, and the Department plans to transfer that land or water body to the control of another entity (e.g., a state, tribal, or local government; a private party; another federal agency) within 3 years from the date the rule is applied. 	3
DoD control	The MRS is on land or is a water body that is owned, leased, or otherwise possessed by the Department. With respect to property that is leased or otherwise possessed, the Department must control access to the MRS 24 hours per day, every day of the calendar year.	0

Table 6 Classifications Within the EHE Module <i>Population Density</i> Data Element				
Classification	Definition	Score		
> 500 persons per square mile	 There are more than 500 persons per square mile in the county in which the MRS is located, based on U.S. Census Bureau data. 	5		
100 to 500 persons per square mile	 There are 100 to 500 persons per square mile in the county in which the MRS is located, based on U.S. Census Bureau data. 	3		
< 100 persons per square mile	 There are fewer than 100 persons per square mile in the county in which the MRS is located, based on U.S. Census Bureau data. 	1		

 If an MRS is in more than one county, the Component will use the largest population value among those counties. If the MRS is within or borders a city or town, the population density for that city or town, instead of the county population density, is used.

Table 7 Classifications Within the EHE Module <i>Population Near Hazard</i> Data Element		
Classification	Description	Score
26 or more structures	There are 26 or more inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both.	5
16 to 25	There are 16 to 25 inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both.	4
11 to 15	There are 11 to 15 inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both.	3
6 to 10	There are 6 to 10 inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both.	2
1 to 5	There are 1 to 5 inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both.	1
0	There are no inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both.	0

Notes

 The term inhabited structures means permanent or temporary structures, other than military munitions-related structures, that are routinely occupied by one or more persons for any portion of a day.

Table 8 Classifications Within the EHE Module <i>Types of Activities/Structures</i> Data Element		
Classification	Description	Score
Residential, educational, commercial, or subsistence	 Activities are conducted, or inhabited structures are located up to two miles from the MRS's boundary or within the MRS's boundary, that are associated with any of the following purposes: residential, educational, child care, critical assets (e.g., hospitals, fire and rescue, police stations, dams), hotels, commercial, shopping centers, playgrounds, community gathering areas, religious sites, or sites used for subsistence hunting, fishing, and gathering. 	5
Parks and recreational areas	 Activities are conducted, or inhabited structures are located up to two miles from the MRS's boundary or within the MRS's boundary, that are associated with parks, nature preserves, or other recreational uses. 	4
Agricultural, forestry	 Activities are conducted, or inhabited structures are located up to two miles from the MRS's boundary or within the MRS's boundary, that are associated with agriculture or forestry. 	3
Industrial or warehousing	 Activities are conducted, or inhabited structures are located up to two miles from the MRS's boundary or within the MRS's boundary, that are associated with industrial activities or warehousing. 	2
No known or recurring activities	There are no known or recurring activities occurring up to two miles from the MRS's boundary or within the MRS's boundary.	1

Notes:

 The term inhabited structures means permanent or temporary structures, other than Department-related structures, that are routinely occupied by one or more persons for any portion of a day.

Table 9 Classifications Within the EHE Module Ecological and/or Cultural Resources Data Element			
Classification	Description	Score	
Ecological and cultural resources present	There are both ecological and cultural resources present on the MRS.	5	
Ecological resources present	There are ecological resources present on the MRS.	3	
Cultural resources present	There are cultural resources present on the MRS.	3	
No ecological or cultural resources present	There are no ecological resources or cultural resources present on the MRS.	0	

- Ecological resources means that (1) a threatened or endangered species (designated under the Endangered Species Act [ESA]) is present on the MRS; or (2) the MRS is designated under the ESA as critical habitat for a threatened or endangered species; or (3) there are identified sensitive ecosystems such as wetlands or breeding grounds present on the MRS.
- Cultural resources means there are recognized cultural, traditional, spiritual, religious, or
 historical features (e.g., structures, artifacts, symbolism) on the MRS. Requirements for
 determining if a particular feature is a cultural resource are found in the National Historic
 Preservation Act, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, Archeological
 Resources Protection Act, Executive Order 13007, and the American Indian Religious
 Freedom Act. As examples: American Indians or Alaska Natives deem an MRS to be of
 religious significance; there are areas used by American Indians or Alaska Natives for
 subsistence activities (e.g., hunting, fishing).

Table 10 Determining the EHE Rating from the EH	E Module Score
Overall EHE Module Score	EHE Rating
The MRS has an overall EHE module score from 92 to 100.	EHE Rating A
The MRS has an overall EHE module score from 82 to 91.	EHE Rating B
The MRS has an overall EHE module score from 71 to 81.	EHE Rating C
The MRS has an overall EHE module score from 60 to 70.	EHE Rating D
The MRS has an overall EHE module score from 48 to 59.	EHE Rating E
The MRS has an overall EHE module score from 38 to 47.	EHE Rating F
The MRS has an overall EHE module score less than 38.	EHE Rating G
Alternative Module Ratings	Evaluation Pending
	No Longer Required
	No Known or Suspected Explosive Hazard

Classification	Table 11 s Within the CHE Module <i>CWM Configuration</i> Data Element	
Classification	Description	Score
CWM, explosive configuration, either UXO or damaged DMM	The CWM known or suspected of being present at the MRS is: Explosively configured CWM that are UXO (i.e., CWM/UXO). Explosively configured CWM that are DMM (i.e., CWM/DMM) that have been damaged.	30
CWM mixed with UXO	 The CWM known or suspected of being present at the MRS are explosively configured CWM/DMM that have not been damaged, or nonexplosively configured CWM/DMM, or CWM not configured as a munition, that are commingled with conventional munitions that are UXO. 	25
CWM, explosive configuration that are DMM (undamaged)	 The CWM known or suspected of being present at the MRS are explosively configured CWM/DMM that have not been damaged. 	20
CWM, not explosively configured or CWM, bulk container	The CWM known or suspected of being present at the MRS is: Nonexplosively configured CWM/DMM. Bulk CWM/DMM (e.g., ton container).	15
CAIS K941 and CAIS K942	 The CWM/DMM known or suspected of being present at the MRS is CAIS K941-toxic gas set M-1 or CAIS K942-toxic gas set M-2/E11. 	12
CAIS (chemical agent identification sets)	Only CAIS, other than CAIS K941 and K942, are known or suspected of being present at the MRS.	10
Evidence of no CWM	 Following investigation, the physical evidence indicates that CWM are not present at the MRS, or the historical evidence indicates that CWM are not present at the MRS. 	0

- The term CWM/UXO means CWM that are UXO.
- The notation CWM/DMM means CWM that are DMM, to include CAIS K941, toxic gas set M-1; and K942, toxic gas set M-2/E11.
- The term CAIS/DMM means CAIS, other than CAIS K941 and K942.
- Historical evidence means the investigation: (1) found written documents or records, (2) documented
 interviews of persons with knowledge of site conditions, or (3) found and verified other forms of
 information.
- Physical evidence means: (1) recorded observations from on-site investigations, such as finding
 intact UXO or DMM, or munitions debris (e.g., fragments, penetrators, projectiles, shell casings, links,
 fins); (2) the results of field or laboratory sampling and analysis procedures; or (3) the results of
 geophysical investigations.

Classifications Classification	Table 12 Within the CHE Module Sources of CWM Data Element Description	Score
Live-fire involving CWM	 The MRS is a former military range that supported live-fire of explosively configured CWM and the CWM/UXO are known or suspected of being present on the surface or in the subsurface. The MRS is a former military range that supported live-fire with conventional munitions, and CWM/DMM are on the surface or in the subsurface commingled with conventional munitions that are UXO. 	10
Damaged CWM/DMM surface or subsurface	 There are damaged CWM/DMM on the surface or in the subsurface at the MRS. 	10
Undamaged CWM/DMM surface	There are undamaged CWM/DMM on the surface at the MRS.	10
CAIS/DMM surface	There are CAIS/DMM on the surface.	10
Undamaged CWM/DMM, subsurface	There are undamaged CWM/DMM in the subsurface at the MRS.	5
CAIS/DMM subsurface	There are CAIS/DMM in the subsurface at the MRS.	5
Former CA or CWM Production Facilities	The MRS is a facility that formerly engaged in production of CA or CWM, and CWM/DMM is suspected of being present on the surface or in the subsurface.	
Former Research, Development, Testing, and Evaluation (RDT&E) facility using CWM	 The MRS is at a facility that formerly was involved in non-live-fire RDT&E activities (including static testing) involving CWM, and there are CWM/DMM suspected of being present on the surface or in the subsurface. 	3
Former Training Facility using CWM or CAIS	 The MRS is a location that formerly was involved in training activities involving CWM and/or CAIS (e.g., training in recognition of CWA, decontamination training) and CWM/DMM or CAIS/DMM are suspected of being present on the surface or in the subsurface. 	2
Former Storage or Transfer points of CWM	The MRS is a former storage facility or transfer point (e.g., intermodal transfer) for CWM.	1
Evidence of no CWM	 Following investigation, the physical evidence indicates that CWM are not present at the MRS, or the historical evidence indicates that CWM are not present at the MRS. 	0

- The term CWM/UXO means CWM that are UXO.
- The notation CWM/DMM means CWM that are DMM, to include CAIS K941, toxic gas set M-1; and K942, toxic gas set M-2/E11.
- The term CAIS/DMM means CAIS, other than CAIS K941 and K942.
- Historical evidence means the investigation: (1) found written documents or records, (2) documented interviews of persons with knowledge of site conditions, or (3) found and verified other forms of information.
- Physical evidence means: (1) recorded observations from on-site investigations, such as
 finding intact UXO or DMM, or munitions debris (e.g., fragments, penetrators, projectiles,
 shell casings, links, fins); (2) the results of field or laboratory sampling and analysis
 procedures; or (3) the results of geophysical investigations.
- In the subsurface means the CWM (i.e., a DMM or UXO) is (1) entirely beneath the ground surface, or (2) fully submerged in a water body.
- On the surface means the CWM (i.e., a DMM or UXO) is (1) entirely or partially exposed
 above the ground surface (i.e., above the soil layer), or (2) entirely or partially exposed above
 the surface of a water body (e.g., as a result of tidal activity).

Classifications V	Table 13 Vithin the CHE Module <i>Information on the Location of CWM</i> Data E	Element
Classification	Description	Score
Confirmed surface	 Physical evidence indicates that there are CWM on the surface of the MRS. Historical evidence (e.g., a confirmed incident report or accident report) indicates there are CWM on the surface of the MRS. 	25
Confirmed subsurface, active	 Physical evidence indicates the presence of CWM in the subsurface of the MRS and the geological conditions at the MRS are likely to cause CWM to be exposed, in the future, by naturally occurring phenomena (e.g., drought, flooding, erosion, frost, heat heave, tidal action), or intrusive activities (e.g., plowing, construction, dredging) at the MRS are likely to expose CWM. Historical evidence indicates that CWM are located in the subsurface of the MRS and the geological conditions at the MRS are likely to cause CWM to be exposed, in the future, by naturally occurring phenomena (e.g., drought, flooding, erosion, frost, heat heave, tidal action), or intrusive activities (e.g., plowing, construction, dredging) at the MRS are likely to expose CWM. 	20
Confirmed subsurface, stable	 Physical evidence indicates the presence of CWM in the subsurface of the MRS and the geological conditions at the MRS are not likely to cause CWM to be exposed, in the future, by naturally occurring phenomena, or intrusive activities at the MRS are not likely to cause CWM to be exposed. Historical evidence indicates that CWM are located in the subsurface of the MRS and the geological conditions at the MRS are not likely to cause CWM to be exposed, in the future, by naturally occurring phenomena, or intrusive activities at the MRS are not likely to cause CWM to be exposed. 	15
Suspected (physical evidence)	There is physical evidence, other than the documented presence of CWM, indicating that CWM may be present at the MRS.	10
Suspected (historical evidence)	There is historical evidence indicating that CWM may be present at the MRS.	5
Subsurface, physical constraint	There is physical or historical evidence indicating that CWM may be present in the subsurface, but there is a physical constraint (e.g., pavement, water depth over 120 feet) preventing direct access to the CWM.	2

Classifications V	Table 13 Vithin the CHE Module <i>Information on the Location of CWM</i> Data B	Element
Classification	Description	Score
Evidence of no CWM	Following investigation of the MRS, there is physical evidence that there is no CWM present or there is historical evidence indicating that no CWM are present.	0

Notes:

- Historical evidence means the investigation: (1) found written documents or records, (2) documented interviews of persons with knowledge of site conditions, or (3) found and verified other forms of information.
- Physical evidence means: (1) recorded observations from on-site investigations, such as
 finding intact UXO or DMM, or munitions debris (e.g., fragments, penetrators, projectiles,
 shell casings, links, fins); (2) the results of field or laboratory sampling and analysis
 procedures; or (3) the results of geophysical investigations.
- In the subsurface means the CWM (i.e., a DMM or UXO) is (1) entirely beneath the ground surface, or (2) fully submerged in a water body.
- On the surface means the CWM (i.e., a DMM or UXO) is (1) entirely or partially exposed
 above the ground surface (i.e., above the soil layer), or (2) entirely or partially exposed above
 the surface of a water body (e.g., as a result of tidal activity).

Clas	Table 14 ssifications Within the CHE Module <i>Ease of Access</i> Data Element	
Classification	Description	Score
No barrier	 There is no barrier preventing access to any part of the MRS (i.e., all parts of the MRS are accessible). 	10
Barrier to MRS access is incomplete	 There is a barrier preventing access to parts of the MRS, but not the entire MRS. 	8
Barrier to MRS access is complete, but not monitored	 There is a barrier preventing access to all parts of the MRS, but there is no surveillance (e.g., by a guard) to ensure that the barrier is effectively preventing access to all parts of the MRS. 	5
Barrier to MRS access is complete and monitored	There is a barrier preventing access to all parts of the MRS, and there is active continual surveillance (e.g., by a guard, video monitoring) to ensure that the barrier is effectively preventing access to all parts of the MRS.	0

Notes:

Barrier means a natural obstacle or obstacles (e.g., difficult terrain, dense vegetation, deep or fast
moving water), a man-made obstacle or obstacles (e.g., fencing), or a combination of natural and
man-made obstacles.

Classific Classification	Table 15 ations Within the CHE Module <i>Status of Property</i> Data Element Description	Score
Non-DoD control	The MRS is at a location that is no longer owned by, leased to, or otherwise possessed or used by the Department. Examples are privately owned land or water bodies; land or water bodies owned or controlled by state, tribal, or local governments; and land or water bodies managed by other federal agencies.	Score 5
Scheduled for transfer from DoD control	The MRS is on land or is a water body that is owned, leased, or otherwise possessed by the Department, and the Department plans to transfer that land or water body to control of another entity (e.g., a state, tribal, or local government; a private party; another federal agency) within 3 years from the date the rule is applied.	3
DoD control	 The MRS is on land or is a water body that is owned, leased, or otherwise possessed by the Department. With respect to property that is leased or otherwise possessed, the Department controls access to the property 24 hours per day, every day of the calendar year. 	0

Classifications W	Table 16 ithin the CHE Module <i>Population Density</i> Data Element	
Classification	Definition	Score
> 500 persons per square mile	 There are more than 500 persons per square mile in the county in which the MRS is located, based on U.S. Census Bureau data. 	5
100 to 500 persons per square mile	 There are 100 to 500 persons per square mile in the county in which the MRS is located, based on U.S. Census Bureau data. 	3
< 100 persons per square mile	 There are fewer than 100 persons per square mile in the county in which the MRS is located, based on U.S. Census Bureau data. 	1

If an MRS is in more than one county, the Component will use the largest population value among those counties. If the MRS is within or borders a city or town, the population density for that city or town, instead of the county population density, is used.

Classificat	Table 17 Classifications Within the CHE Module <i>Population Near Hazard</i> Data Element			
Classification	Description	Score		
26 or more structures	 There are 26 or more inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both. 	5		
16 to 25	There are 16 to 25 inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both.	4		
11 to 15	 There are 11 to 15 inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both. 	3		
6 to 10	 There are 6 to 10 inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both. 	2		
1 to 5	 There are 1 to 5 inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both. 	1		
0	There are no inhabited structures located up to 2 miles from the boundary of the MRS, within the boundary of the MRS, or both.	0		

The term inhabited structures means permanent or temporary structures, other than military munitions-related structures, that are routinely occupied by one or more persons for any portion of a day.

Classification	Description	Score	
Residential, educational, commercial, or subsistence	 Activities are conducted, or inhabited structures are located up to two miles from the MRS's boundary or within the MRS's boundary, that are associated with any of the following purposes: residential, educational, child care, critical assets (e.g., hospitals, fire and rescue, police stations, dams), hotels, commercial, shopping centers, playgrounds, community gathering areas, religious sites, or sites used for subsistence hunting, fishing, and gathering. 		
Parks and recreational areas	 Activities are conducted, or inhabited structures are located up to two miles from the MRS's boundary or within the MRS's boundary, that are associated with parks, nature preserves, or other recreational uses. 	4	
Agricultural, forestry	Activities are conducted, or inhabited structures are located up to two miles from the MRS's boundary or within the MRS's boundary, that are associated with agriculture or forestry.	3	
Industrial or warehousing	Activities are conducted, or inhabited structures are located up to two miles from the MRS's boundary, or within the MRS's boundary, that are associated with industrial activities or warehousing.	2	
No known or recurring activities	There are no known or recurring activities occurring up to two miles from the MRS's boundary or within the MRS's boundary.	1	

The term inhabited structures means permanent or temporary structures, other than Department-related structures, that are routinely occupied by one or more persons for any portion of a day.

Table 19 Classifications Within the CHE Module <i>Ecological and/or Cultural Resources</i> Data Element			
Classification	Description	Score	
Ecological and cultural resources present	There are both ecological and cultural resources present on the MRS.	5	
Ecological resources present	There are ecological resources present on the MRS.	3	
Cultural resources present	There are cultural resources present on the MRS.	3	
No ecological or cultural resources present	There are no ecological resources or cultural resources present on the MRS.	0	

- Ecological resources means that: (1) a threatened or endangered species (designated under the Endangered Species Act [ESA]) is present on the MRS; or (2) the MRS is designated under the ESA as critical habitat for a threatened or endangered species; or (3) there are identified sensitive ecosystems such as wetlands or breeding grounds present on the MRS.
- Cultural resources means there are recognized cultural, spiritual, traditional, religious, or
 historical features (e.g., structures, artifacts, symbolism) on the MRS. Requirements for
 determining if a particular feature is a cultural resource are found in the National Historic
 Preservation Act, Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act, Archeological
 Resources Protection Act, Executive Order 13007, and the American Indian Religious
 Freedom Act. As examples: American Indians or Alaska Natives deem an MRS to be of
 spiritual significance; there are areas that are used by American Indians or Alaska Natives for
 subsistence activities (e.g., hunting, fishing).

Table 20	
Determining the CHE Rating from the	CHE Module Score
Overall CHE Module Score	CHE Rating
The MRS has an overall CHE module score from 92 to 100.	CHE Rating A
The MRS has an overall CHE module score from 82 to 91.	CHE Rating B
The MRS has an overall CHE module score from 71 to 81.	CHE Rating C
The MRS has an overall CHE module score from 60 to 70.	CHE Rating D
The MRS has an overall CHE module score from 48 to 59.	CHE Rating E
The MRS has an overall CHE module score from 38 to 47.	CHE Rating F
The MRS has an overall CHE module score less than 38.	CHE Rating G
Alternative Module Ratings	Evaluation Pending
	No Longer Required
	No Known or Suspected CWM Hazard

			able 21 actor Levels	,	
Contaminant	Hazard Factor	Recepto	or Factor	Migration Pa	thway Factor
Significant	High (H)	Identified	High (H)	Evident	High (H)
Moderate	Middle (M)	Potential	Middle (M)	Potential	Middle (M)
Minimal	Low (L)	Limited	Low (L)	Confined	Low (L)

Table 22 HHE Three-letter Combination Levels								
Contaminant Hazard Factor	Receptor Factor	Migration Pathway						
		Evident	Potential	Confined				
Significant	Identified	ннн	ннм	HHL				
	Potential	ннм	нмм	HML				
	Limited	HHL	HML	HLL				
Moderate	Identified	ннм	нмм	HML				
	Potential	НММ	MMM	MML				
	Limited	HML	MML	MLL				
Minimal	Identified	HHL	HML	HLL				
	Potential	HML	MML	MLL				
	Limited	HLL	MLL	LLL				

Table 23 HHE Module Ratings				
Combination	Rating			
ННН	A			
ннм	В			
HHL	C			
НММ				
HML	D			
MMM				
HLL	E			
MML				
MLL	F			
LLL	G			
	Evaluation Pending			
Alternative Module Ratings	No Longer Required			
	No Known or Suspected MC Hazard			

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Table 24 HHE Module Rating							
Contaminant Hazard Factor	Receptor Factor	Migration Pathway					
		Evident	Potential	Confined			
Significant	Identified	Α	В	С			
	Potential	В	С	D			
	Limited	С	D	Е			
	Identified	В	С	D			
Moderate	Potential	С	D	Ε			
	Limited	D	E	F			
Minimal	Identified	С	D	E			
	Potential	D	E	F			
	Limited	Е	F	G			

Table 25 MRS Priority Based on Highest Hazard Evaluation Module Rating							
EHE Module Rating	Priority	CHE Module Rating Priority					
		Hazard Evaluation A (Highest)	1	HHE Module Rating	Priority		
Hazard Evaluation A (Highest)	2	Hazard Evaluation B	2	Hazard Evaluation A (Highest)	2		
Hazard Evaluation B	3	Hazard Evaluation C	3	Hazard Evaluation B	3		
Hazard Evaluation C	4	Hazard Evaluation D	4	Hazard Evaluation C	4		
Hazard Evaluation D	5	Hazard Evaluation E	5	Hazard Evaluation D	5		
Hazard Evaluation E	6	Hazard Evaluation F	6	Hazard Evaluation E	6		
Hazard Evaluation F	7	Hazard Evaluation G (Lowest)	7	Hazard Evaluation F	7		
Hazard Evaluation G (Lowest)	8			Hazard Evaluation G (Lowest) Low	8		
Evaluation Pending		Evaluation Pending		Evaluation Pending			
No Longer Required		No Longer Required		No Longer Required			
No Known or Suspect Explosive Hazard	ed	No Known or Suspected CWM Hazard No Known or Suspected Mt Hazard		ted MC			